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The Home of the Ball Dahlia

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Greetings, Fellow Dahlia Fan:

The season here was good even though weather was dry and buds were slow to open. It was very long, lasting into November, though we did have several scares from near frosts during October with a few of the plants being touched. This long season gave me an opportunity to see several of our local gardens and thus was able to view nearly all of the new ones of the past year. The result will be found under the title "Win With These" which is compiled from what I liked in my own field, those I saw in our local gardens and a few guesses on the current introductions. Write if you are interested in any of these, for I may have them or tell you where to get them. I am not listing any of the large types this year, as my specialty is Balls, Collarette and Anemone.

In my visiting I saw an origination by Robert Seibel that looked very good. It is a yellow SC of medium size. I also tried a white ball by F. U. Fisher that I think will make all white balls take notice. I can not say much about their introduction, but watch the shows and trial grounds for them.

I tried some balls and collarettes from Australia and Canada and got a few that I liked. Souvenir and Tom Jones are among the finest miniature balls I have seen and Jessamine is the only lavender collarette I know. I hope to be able to offer you these varieties next year.

I was very much pleased with the reports on Dusky and the way it performed for me. Being my first origination I can not help being proud of its record. I hope I can continue offering varieties equally as good. One thing you can bank on, I'll never offer you a variety that I do not like myself.

Those who know me personally know I am very critical with my dahlias. I want only good dahlias in my garden and believing that you want the same I have made this my policy of introduction: first, I must like the variety; then, others must like it; and, finally, it must score at our trial grounds. I believe that if they pass this test they ought to be worthy of introduction. I want you to know that I mean it when I say,

Yours for better dahlias,

ANDREW DOERMANN.

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Presenting for 1944 . . .

CORAL BLEND—(39-11)

A miniature formal that is very good for inside decoration. When grown in open sun the yellow predominates and then it is not very attractive, but brought under artificial light or grown in shade the pink deepens and then you have a true blend of coral pink with citron yellow center. It is an excellent keeper and averages 3x2 inches in size. The foliage is dark green and disease resistant. A small basket of this variety received a gold ribbon at Cincinnati Show, where it was well liked by all who saw it. It scored 85.5 at Storrs and is on both the Western and Eastern Honor Rolls.

Roots \$4.00

CREAM PRINCESS—(40-7)

Though this hasn't scored any certificates I like it because it is a color that is different in the collarettes. Pale creamish white slightly overcast citron green which deepens at center of petal. This gives the flower a cream effect. Collar the same color. It was the only variety when shown at one of the O. V. D. A. meetings that caused the ladies to gasp "Oh" and "Ah." Its faults: when grown large the flower hangs and like all whites cucumber beetles just love it. This past season a few blooms came minus a petal. It was grown 6 inches at Cincinnati Trial Grounds, but normally averages 5 inches for me. It is very attractive for table decoration, especially if arranged in a green vase. It is a very good keeper. I think enough of this variety to break my introduction policy to introduce it.

Roots \$2.00

RED DELIGHT—(39-53)

Here is a collarette that has been favorably commented upon by all who have seen it. Violet red with citron yellow collar that is sometimes streaked red. Flowers are 4 inches across and stock grows about 4 feet tall. Has received blue ribbons at Cincinnati and Scranton; certified at Maryland in 1942 and Fairmont in 1943 and is on the Western Honor Roll. This is one of the best red collarlettes that I have seen.

Roots \$4.00

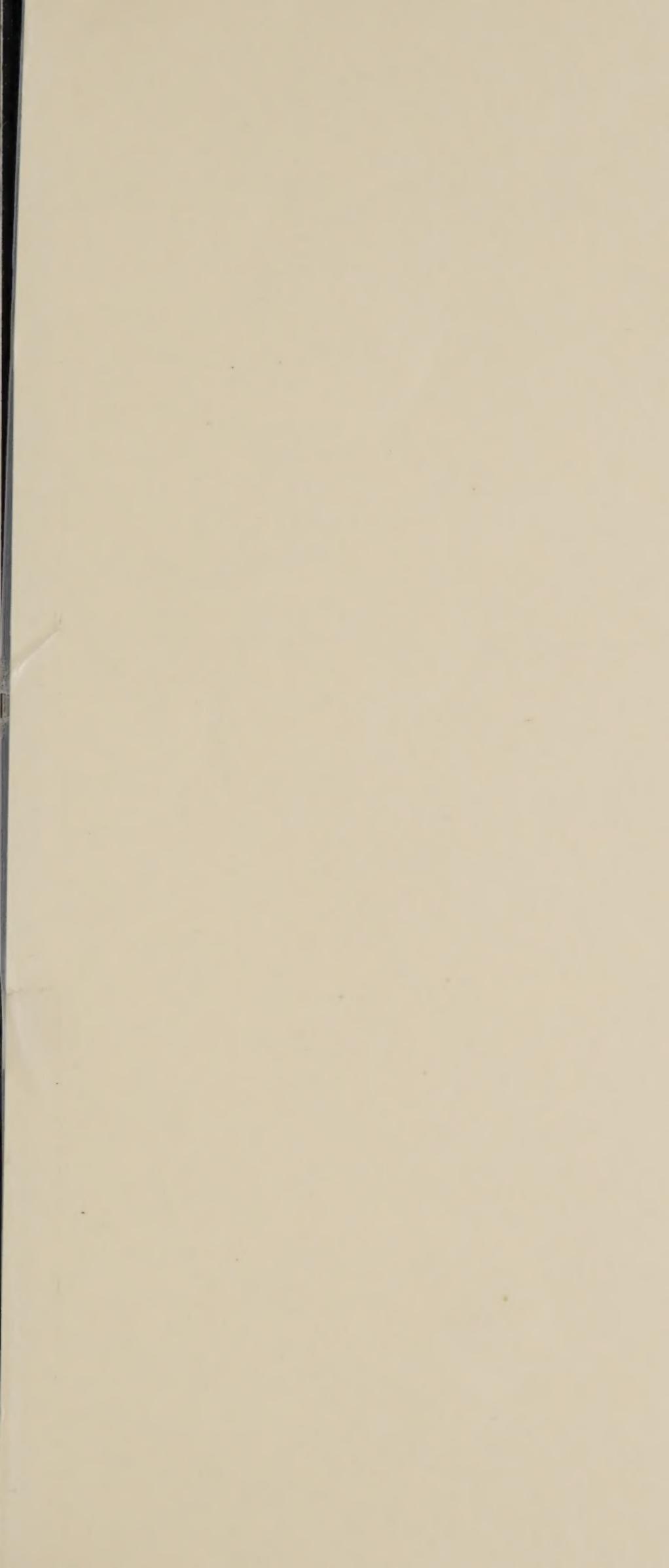
DUSKY

This is my last year's introduction that has proved itself to be one of our best miniature balls. Carmine shaded maroon; back of petals amaranth purple which overcasts whole bloom during hot weather. To say it is a prolific bloomer is putting it mildly. Seldom do I find a dahlia that I like better each year that I grow it, but this is one that I do. If you grow for cut flowers try this with white —Ky. Snowball or White Caps—and see the results. I don't believe in ballyhooing with printer's ink, but this variety has proved itself in our trial grounds and gardens to be worthy of the high honor it received last year—the Derril Hart silver medal.

Roots \$2.00

Ball Dahlias

A. D. Livoni—Clear pink.....	\$.25
Alice J.—Amaranth pink.....	1.00
Anna Rehorst—Deep reddish purple.....	.50
Betty Austin—Golden yellow flushed red.....	.50
Big Ben—Best red for exhibition.....	.50
Black Diamond—Dark velvety maroon.....	.50
Bloodhound—Deep crimson	1.00
Bonnie Blue—Dark lavender blue.....	.25
Charlotte Caldwell—Orange .....	.50
Clara Clemens—Deep crimson tipped white.....	.50
Firefly—Chinese red with tan reverse.....	.50
Globe de Nantes—Rich cardinal red.....	.50
Gov. Guild—White .....	.25
James Cocker—Deep purple.....	.50
James Vick—Purple crimson .....	.25
J. T. West—Yellow heavily edged purple.....	.50
Kentucky Snowball—White .....	.50
Lannie—Light canary yellow.....	.50
Les Amours de Madam—Cerise, darker markings..	.50
Mary Helen—Deep canary yellow.....	.50
Maude Adams—White slightly tinged pink.....	.50
Miss Helen Hollis—Deep scarlet.....	.50
Molalla—Yellow tipped white.....	.50
Mozart—White	1.50
Mrs. C. D. Anderson—Rosy magenta.....	.50
Norma—Light orange .....	.50
Orchid Ball—Purplish lavender.....	.50
Peacherino—Peach pink .....	.50
Prospero—Drap pink .....	.50
Puritan—White lightly tinted lavender.....	.25
Queen Marie—Salmon pink .....	.50
Red Duke—Bright red.....	.25
Red Gold Medal—Gold overlaid red.....	.50
Rose Bud—White edged and tipped rose.....	.50
Rosy Dawn—Yellow flushed rose.....	1.00
R. T. Rawlings—Clear yellow.....	1.00
Ruby—Ruby with silver reverse.....	1.00
Silva Quarta—Lavender-mauve. Double quilled...	.50
Snow Queen—White .....	.50
Supt. Amrhyn—Clear rose pink.....	.50
Tippy—Yellow faintly tipped reddish bronze.....	.50
Velvet Ball—Deep maroon.....	.50
White Caps—White .....	.50
White Livoni—White .....	.50
Zelda—Ashes of roses .....	.75



Collarette

Annabelle—Clear pink, pink collar	1.00
Coincident—Scarlet heavily bordered chrome yellow; cream collar	3.00
Dad's Favorite—Orange, cream collar .....	.50
Dark Lustre—Garnet, white collar	1.00
Dora Fisher—Pink, white collar .....	.50
Ecstasy—Deep yellow	1.00
Erica—Rich maroon, white collar .....	.50
Fandango—Oxblood red, red and yellow collar ..	1.00
Frank Harris—Red, white collar .....	.50
Garcon—Dark yellow with center of each petal a brownish red; yellow collar .....	.50
Gypsy—Purple and white, white collar	1.00
Jim—Base of the petals a yellow shading to a bright red at the ends; white collar .....	.50
La Golandrina—Pink, collar pink and white	1.00
Maurice Rivoire—Maroon and white .....	.50
Mercedes Ann—Maroon, white collar .....	.50
Miss Julia—Rich, deep wine red	1.00
Orange Queen—Orange, yellow collar .....	.50
Pink Preakness—Rose pink, white collar .....	.50
Preakness—White .....	.50
Royalty—Purple, purple collar	1.00
Saturn—Clear light yellow	1.00
Sparkle—Pure white	2.00
Tribune—Carmine, white collar .....	.50
Zenda—Deep maroon purple, white collar .....	.50

Anemone

Ada Finch—Cream white single flower, center filled with tubular petals of same color .....	.50
Alpha (Anemone-Orchid)—New form, having petals of orchid type with anemone center. Very rich red .....	.50
Croix du Sud—Large red with center of yellow ...	.50
Gold Star (Anemone-Orchid)—Golden yellow with golden orange reverse; cushion gold	1.00
Hollandia—Carmine with yellow center .....	.50
Purple Beauty—Very fine pure purple with cushion lightly tipped gold .....	.50
Teeny Weeny (Pom-Anemone)—Small bright salmon flowers on a low growing bush .....	.50
Twinkle—Very small bloom of pale pink tipped light yellow; cushion pale yellow .....	.50

Win with These

INCURVED CACTUS

white	Snowball	Snow Crest	Miss F. Smith
yellow	Yellow Giant	Beaute	Royal Purchase
orange	Golden Standard	Pygmalion	Orange Princess
red	Nancy Mitchell	Stalin	Son of Satan
pink	Crowning Glory	Julius Bunge	Mascott
lavender	Mad. Jussiant	Miss Ohio	Terry
purple	Rosette	Regalia	Miss Theobold
maroon	Yowa Matsuoka	Donald Brack	Night Fall
blend	Mrs. Miniver	Alex Craig	Reile
bicolor	Farnicot	Showa	Taiyo

STRAIGHT CACTUS

white	Jersey Dainty	Weisser Hirsch	Winter Morn
yellow	Marietta E.	Hillside Gold	Frau Mansfield
orange	Dorothy Lamour	Miss Belgium	
red	Dulcinea	Spitfire	The Ohioan
pink	Irene Dunn	Esplendido	Mrs. H. O'Connor
lavender	Miss W. Va.	Dr. H. Spat	Magic Prince
purple	Zenith	Ella May	
blend	Mary Taylor	Ambassador	S. Heimkehr
bicolor	John Stevens	Bataan	

SEMI-CACTUS

white	B. Surprise	Am. Purity	Mich. White
yellow	Yellow Glory	Miss Glory	Student Prince
orange	Columbia	E. Chandler	Indian Summer
red	Maffie	Top Flight	Mary E. Forhan
pink	All American	Season's Best	
lavender	Bette Davis	S. Thoroughbred	Mary Retzer
purple	Jean Trimbee	Kard. Rossum	Wendy B.
maroon	Virginia Rute	Wings	Mary Dudley
blend	Greater Glory	Enkart Prima	Rythum
bicolor	Flash	Koki	New Glory

FORMAL

white	D. Sainsbury	Consul Pavogel	Miss Oakland
yellow	The Governor	Kentucky Sun	Xantine
orange	Axford Triumph	Charles Mastick	Chaut. Giant
red	Oakleigh Mon.	Demolay	Queen City
pink	Victory	Marie	Jersey Beauty
lavender	Croydon Acme	Blue River	Ruth Nichols
purple	Purple Mist	King David	Saracen
maroon	Ruby Taylor	Mad River Chief	Negus
blend	Blue Rose	WAAC	King Peter
bicolor	Lois Walcher	Town Topic	A. G. Goodacre

INFORMAL

white	The Real Glory	Allice May	Bess Smith
yellow	Lord of Autumn	Calif. Idol	Ginger Rogers
orange	Jane Cowl	Dahliamum	Bill's Gold
red	Margrace	M. Masterpiece	Tuxedo
pink	Marion Smith	Mildred Pote	World Event
lavender	Robt. Ripley	Bill's Splendor	Cherokee Rose
purple	Glamour	John Sherwood	Eventide
maroon	Col. Rudd	Cherokee Brave	L. Black Prince
blend	Freda George	Silver Lady	First Lady
bicolor	Cornell	Ky. Sportsman	Wanda Meade

